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SELF EMPLOYMENT FOR UNEMPLOYED AGRICULTURE ENGINEERS SCIENTISTS
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Will the Minister of AGRICULTURE be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have launched any self-employment scheme for unemployed agriculture-engineers/scientists;

(b) if so, the number of beneficiaries in the country particularly in Orissa under this scheme recorded during last two years; and

(c) the steps taken by the Government to make this scheme more effective?

Answer

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF AGRICULTURE (SHRI HUKUMDEO NARAYAN YADAV)

(a) Department of Agriculture & Co-operation has launched a scheme on `Agribusiness & Agri-clinics for self-employment of Agriculture & allied Sciences graduates. Under the scheme, loan would be provided to the entrepreneur through National Bank for Agriculture & Rural Development.

(b) Five thousand ventures would be established every year under the scheme. Since the scheme has been operationalized recently, the state-wise figures would be available only after an year.

(c) The details of the scheme has been notified widely through National and Regional Dalies, Radio & other Press Media. Further to strengthen the skills and built in confidence, of the graduates, structured training would be imparted at State Agricultural Universities, ICAR institutes and other scientific agencies.